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## President Links Soviets To Nuclear Freeze Effort

By a Wall Street Journal Staff Reporter WASHINGTON — President Reagan asserted last night he has "plenty of evidence" that the Soviet Union is involved in the U.S. nuclear freeze movement.

Speaking at his news conference, he charged that "foreign agents" were sent here "to help instigate and help create and keep such a movement going."

But Mr. Reagan refused to document his contention, which went far beyond his charge last month that the nuclear freeze movement was "inspired" by "some who want the weakening of America." He said he wasn't able to produce the "evidence" because "I don't discuss intelligence matters."

Nuclear freeze leaders couldn't be reached last night for comment. But the president's remarks seem certain to generate a storm of controversy and to renew last month's charges he is waging a "smear" campaign against his opponents. The president said some in the press had published proof of Soviet involvement, an apparent reference to a long Reader's Digest article alleging such a tie.